to construction of additional 100 mgd water treatment plant at Haiderpur and 40 mgd water treatment plant at Nangloi are under implementation.

(b) and (c) Some of the areas located at tail end of the distribution system or those at higher elevation do face shortage of water in the summer months. Steps being taken to meet the situation include:—

(1) Production of more potable water from new sources.

(2) Optimisation of the capacity of the existing plants.

(3) Rationalisation of the existing distribution system.

(4) Construction of additional underground reservoirs.

(5) Prevention of wastage of drinking water.

(6) Education of people for judicious use and conservation of drinking water.

**Pension Scheme for Journalists**

*176. DR. BAPU KALDATE: SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Committee appointed to go into the Pension Scheme for Journalists has submitted its recommendations to Government;

(b) if so, what are the details of the recommendations; and

(c) by when the scheme is likely to be made effective?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI RADHAKRISHAN MALAVIYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**Opening of a National Seeds Bank**

*177. SHRI K. V. THANGKABALU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to open a National Seeds Bank; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BHAJAN LAL):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**महाराष्ट्र में उचित दर की और दूकानों का खोला जाना**

*178. **श्री विश्वासराव रामराव** पाटिल : क्या **खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या महाराष्ट्र में उचित दर की और दूकानें खोलने का कोई प्रस्ताव है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो ऐसी और कितनी दूकानें खोलने का प्रस्ताव हैं और उन्हें किन-किन जिलों में खोला जाएगा ;

(ग) क्या उचित दर की कुछ दूकानों के मालिकों द्वारा आवश्यक वस्तुओं के वितरण में अनियमितता बरते जाने के समाचार हैं ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और उनके विरुद्ध क्या कार्यवाही की गयी है ?

**खाद्य और नागरिक पूर्ति मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुख राम)** : (क) और (ख) 31-3-1989 की स्थिति के अनुसार महाराष्ट्र में लगभग 34,290 उचित दर की

दुकानें हैं । 1988 में अनुमानित आबादी का परिकलन 726.32 लाख करते हुए औसतन 2117 लोगों के लिए एक उचित दर की दुकान है । अतः राज्य सरकार ने सूचित किया है कि उसने नई उचित दर की दुकानें खोलने के बारे में कोई निश्चित लक्ष्य नियत नहीं किए हैं। तथापि, जब भी राज्य के किसी क्षेत्र में इसकी आवश्यकता महसूस की जाएगी। नई दुकानें खोली जाएगी ।

(ग) और (घ) महाराष्ट्र सरकार ने कहा है कि राज्य सरकार के प्राधिकृत अधिकारियों द्वारा उचित दर की दुकानों का नियमित रूप से निरीक्षण किया जाता है । यह बताया गया है कि 1988–89 के दौरान 60,218 निरीक्षण किए गए और 3365 उचित दर की दुकानों के मामले में अनियमितताओं का पता चला। दोषी व्यक्तियों के विरुद्ध कानून के अनुसार आवश्यक कार्यवाही की जाती है।

**Action taken on the complaint lodged by the Secretary of State Bank of Patialia Staff Union (H.P)**

*179. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether in pursuance of a complaint lodged by the Secretary of State Bank of Patiala Staff Union (H.P.) on 2 July, 1988 an investigation was carried out;

(b) whether the Investigating Officer reported that the management had adopted certain unfair labour practices; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI RADHAKRISHAN MALAVIYA): (a) to (c) Two complaints were made by the State Bank of Patiala Union (H.P.), one regarding suspension of a workman of the Solan Branch of the bank, and another regarding alleged unfair labour practices by the management against the same workman. The union has only this one workman at that branch of the bank, and he is also the General Secretary of the union referred to above. The complaint regarding suspension was treated as an industrial dispute and on the recommendation of the Conciliation Officer, the dispute was referred on 27-12-1988 for adjudication by the Central Government Industrial Tribunal at Chandigarh. On the second complaint, the Conciliation Officer has reported that the complaint was not sustainable.

**Loss to ISBT, Delhi**

*180. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Inter-State Bus Terminus, Delhi, is running under loss; if so, the loss suffered during each of the last three years and also the cumulative losses so far;

(b) whether any suggestions were made by a Committee in this regard and if so, when and the details thereof; and

(c) what are the results?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI): (a) In the years 1985-86 and 1986-87, there was a cash loss of Rs. 48.37 lacs and Rs. 8.77 lacs respectively, but in the year 1987-88, the I.S.B.T. turned the corner and had a cash surplus of Rs. 74.76 lacs. From the